

Mr. Ethan C. Eldon  
Commissioner  
Department of Air Resources  
120 Wall Street  
New York City 10005

Dear Mr. Eldon:

I can appreciate your concern about the test conducted in the New York City subway system, but can shed little light on the matter. The Central Intelligence Agency was not involved in the test--or in others like it--but only received a report on the matter from its contacts at the Army Biological Laboratory at Fort Detrick. Comments on the report were prepared by one of our officers and included in a memorandum which was provided to the Church committee; that memorandum is the cause of CIA's alleged association with the subway test. For further information I would suggest that you contact the Department of Defense.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby  
Director

cc: Senator Frank Church, Chairman  
Select Committee to Study Governmental  
Operations with Respect to Intelligence  
Activities

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Ltr to Mr. Ethan C. Eldon - Commissioner, Dept of Air Resources,  
NYC re test conducted in NYC subway system.

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